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## Dear Sirs:

In the strongest words possible, I write in support of Microsoft. Though I could go on in support of Microsoft for quite some length, I will keep my comments relatively brief. Microsoft is the standard, the underpinning of our economy. To attack it or break it up would be like attacking the Interstate Highway system (cars and trucks need the same highways in New Hampshire, Indiana, or Wyoming), the Air Traffic Control System (airplanes landing in Chicago, New York, or Atlanta need the same kind of controls), or money (our European friends will soon learn the benefits of one currency).

If the Department of Justice wants to help users like me, they should join with Microsoft to educate the Microsoft-hating press and the Microsoft hating public to stop attacking Microsoft. My relatively new and wonderful broadband Internet connection is in a shambles because of the nearly constant attacks I have suffered. The recent Windows security problem that was in the news counts me as one of its victims. On my other computer, I cannot connect to the Internet now. I compose this e-mail on another computer using a 56k dial up connection, cowering behind a software firewall, hoping not to be attacked. Microsoft has caused no victims. Microsoft-haters have.....me.

Warmest regards,

Jeff Rouse